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In re application of:

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DECISION ON PETITION

Serial No.: 09/4410834 Filed: November 17, 1999

For: APPARATUS FOR PROCIDING AN ELECTRONIC DISPLAY WITH

SELECTABLE VIEWING ORIENTATIONS

This is a decision on the faxed petition received October 24, 2001, to withdraw the holding of abandonment in the above-identified application.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply within the meaning of 37 C.F.R. 1.113 in timely manner to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application mailed December 21, 1999. Which set a shortened statutory period for reply of two (2) months. Accordingly, this application became abandoned February 23, 2000. A notice of abandonment was mailed on December 18, 2000.

On October 21, 2001, the office received a communication from the attorney of record. Enclosed was an acknowledgment that counsel had not received the Notice of Missing Parts mailed December 21, 1999.

The evidence submitted is sufficient to establish that the petitioners did not receive the Notice of Missing Parts mailed December 21, 1999.

The petition is GRANTED.

The Notice of Appeal and Extension fees have been credited to deposit account 04-0100.

The processing fee of \$751 will charge to your deposit account to complete the above application.

The application has been completed for release to Technology Center 2786.

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